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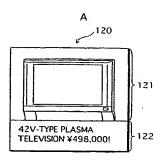
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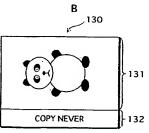
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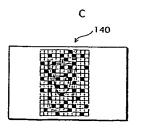
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(54) Title: DIGITAL CAMERA SYSTEM WITH MEANS FOR RESTRICTING IMAGE ACQUISITION



(57) Abstract: A digital camera comprising: an imaging unit operable to generate an image by photographing an object; a receiving unit operable to receive information relating to image processing from one or more transmission devices; a judging unit operable to judge whether the image is to be output or not, based on the information received by the receiving unit; and an output unit operable to, in accordance with the judgment made by the judging unit, output the image to a memory, or discard the image, where the memory is readable by the digital camera or an external device.





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